

Mascoma Subgrant Information

District:

Mascoma Valley Regional District, SAU 62

Subgrant Amount:

\$5,000 per year.

\$15,000 for 3 years.

Matching Funds:

Matching/In-kind Funds: \$50,704

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Subgrant Abstract:

“Driving Safely Into The Future” is a program designed to provide McKinney-Vento, and students at risk of homelessness, the opportunity to participate in SAU #62 Driver Education Program-a self-supporting after school activity. Currently NH students are unable to obtain a license prior to age eighteen without participating in an approved driver education course. The cost of this program at MVRHS is \$625.00 (with the additional costs associated for forty (40) hours of driving time and \$50 for the license test at DMV) and is beyond the reach of our families.

Driver's Education is a huge incentive for high school student to be present, engaged and to complete their course work towards graduation. A driver's license allows for participation in after school activities, extending learning opportunities, internships or employment. Frequently families have one vehicle. As one mother stated, “it a shame it sits in the parking lot while I am at work.” Driver education and the subsequent license for high school aged students assists rural working poor families by providing greater flexibility and opportunities. Students and families, as a part of Driving Safely Into The Future, will produce and Individualized “ROAD MAP” to address their unique needs. The Road Map will be created using “I. H.O.P.E.” a process created

by Cynthia Collea, based on MAP (McGill Action Planning) and similar to and preceding UNH's RENEW-though less intensive. An Individual's Hopes, Obstacles, Plans and Evaluation are the key components and social work services currently employed by the district will be provided to assist its creation and in securing coordination of services to achieve measureable goals.